(2) Will the Government be pleased to place on the table the copies of certificates, if any, showing that he has special training in X-Ray work ?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—(1) The question has been already answered; vide page 23 of Vol. I and pages 1151 and 1152 of Vol. II of *the Council Proceedings*.

(2) Vide answer to question 3.

The creation of a fresh Civil Surgeon's post.

5. Mr. Poulo Mampilli.—Will the Government be pleased to state if it is a fact that an Assistant Surgeon of the Medical Department who has recently returned from England has requested the Government to create for him a Civil Surgeon's post ?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—No.

6. Mr. Poulo Mampilli.—Will the Government be pleased to state if the Chief Medical and Sanitary Officer has not recommended the creation of another Civil Surgeon's post for this gentleman ?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—No.

7. Mr. Poulo Mampilli.—Will the Government be pleased to State whether it has come to any conclusion in the matter ? If so, will the Government be pleased to state what its conclusion is ?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—No answer is called for.

8. Mr. Poulo Mampilli.—In view of the opinion widely expressed in the Legislative Council that the Medical Department was overmanned and top-heavy and the enquiry of the Special Finance Committee, will the Government be pleased to keep the matter in abeyance until the Committee has reported ?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—The Government may be trusted to exercise their discretion in the matter in the best possible manner.

9. Mr. Poulo Mampilli.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether there are not in the State Medical Department Assistant Surgeons with European qualifications who are senior to the Assistant Surgeon Dr. T. Bhaskara Menon, who are still where they were before they went to England?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—Yes ; but not of equal qualifications.

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